

DETAILED ACTION

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 2/12/2010 has been entered.

Claim Objections

Claims 73-76 are objected to because of the following informalities: The claim (claim 72) on which these claims depends recites "medium", while these dependent claims recite "media". Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

Claims 1-4 and 63-78 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention.

Claims 64, 72 and 77 recite “linking via a computer multiple interrelated parameters of an e-commerce transaction in one or more feedback loops such that calculating each parameter affects calculating at least some of the other parameters;

wherein calculating via the computer each parameter provides an output value used as one of multiple input values for calculating at least some of the other parameters, and calculating each parameter uses as input the output values from calculating at least some of the other parameters;

calculating via the computer the multiple interrelated parameters using output values from one calculation as input values for the next calculation until values within respective predetermined tolerance levels are achieved for each parameter”; and

Claim 78 recites “linking via a computer a currency price to a plurality of parameters including a negotiated currency price, negotiated first and second tolerance levels and a spot price for an e-commerce transaction in one or more feedback loops such that calculating each parameter affects calculating at least some of the other parameters”.

There is no support for these limitations in the originally filed disclosure. Applicant is requested to explicitly cite portion(s) of the originally filed disclosure that supports these limitations in response to this office action.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to OLABODE AKINTOLA whose telephone number is (571)272-3629. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30AM -5:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Alexander Kalinowski can be reached on 571-272-6771. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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